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ADON OLAM.

(Translated from the Hebrew.)

LORD of the world, he reigned alone
While yet the Universe was naught.
When by his will all things were wrought,
Then first his sovran name was known.

And when the All shall cease to be,
In dread lone splendour he shall reign.
He was, he is, he shall remain
In glorious eternity.

For he is one, no second shares
His nature, or his loneliness;
Unending and beginningless,
All strength is his, all sway he bears.

He is the living God to save,
My rock while sorrow's toils endure,
My banner and my stronghold sure,
The cup of life whene'er I crave.

I place my soul within his palm,
Before I sleep as when I wake,
And though my body I forsake,
Rest in the Lord in fearless calm.

ISRAEL ZANGWILL.